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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, kindly amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, substitute the paragraph beginning at line 2 with the following:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE RELATED ART

[0001] The invention relates to heart rate monitors. The invention is applied to a personal non-invasive heart rate monitor. The heart rate monitor equipment may consist e.g. of a conventional two-part device comprising a heart rate transmitter, usually of the transmitter belt type, comprising ECG electrodes, and a wristband receiver unit having a telemetric, inductive or optical connection to the heart rate transmitter and comprising e.g. a microprocessor, display and a user interface. Alternatively, the equipment can be a heart rate measurement apparatus which constitutes one integrated whole, particularly a single wristband, in which case the wristband also comprises a sensor, such as ECG electrodes or a

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